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They're counting on volunteers...

Adult Special Olympians are hoping you'll volunteer to help with their big day Saturday, April 29. They'll be competing here on base in an event being sponsored by Federally Employed Women, and they are hoping employees will sign up as buddies to make sure they get to their events and that they have someone to share their day with. For volunteer registration forms, see electronic bulletin boards or visit the Workforce Diversity Office, building 407, south end. For further info, call Darlene at Ext. 3611 or Woody at Ext. 1623. See Page 6.

Navy-Marine Corps Relief underway

The official kickoff of the 2000 Central Pennsylvania Navy-Marine Corps Relief Fund Drive was held April 3 with RADM Linda Bird's purchase of the first book of raffle tickets. See photo on Page 3.

In her remarks, RADM Bird, the Vice Commander of the Naval Supply Systems Command, pointed out that the installation has a proud tradition of supporting not only Navy Marine Corps Relief but also numerous charities, including CFC, the Children's Christmas Party, and other deserving efforts.

She also remarked that over the past two years, Navy

Mechanicsburg has been responsible for generating over \$40,000 in contributions for Navy-Marine Corps Relief.

The Navy-Marine Corps Relief Drive is underway now and will continue till May 12.

This year's grand prize will be a 2000 Ford Mustang.

Also being raffled are the following items:

May 2 drawing (from tickets turned in by April 26):

Mountain Bike, Olive Garden Gift Certificate, Red Lobster Gift Certificate, Hersheypark Passes, Longwood Gardens Tickets, Williams Grove Speedway Tickets, Senators Tickets, Bob Evans Gift Certifi-

cate, and AMC Movie Passes.

May 10 (from tickets turned in up to May 3):

Bed and Breakfast Weekend, Olive Garden Gift Certificate, Longwood Gardens Tickets, Williams Grove Speedway Tickets, Senators Tickets, and RC Movie Passes.

May 18 (from tickets turned in up to May 12):

Grand Prize, 2000 Mustang, Olive Garden Gift Certificate, Senators Tickets, and UA Movie Passes.

See the following Navy Relief key personnel for tickets:

PN3 Fowler, PSD, Ext. 2500;
LCDR Meyers, NAVSUP, Ext. 6247;

David Sheffield, DISA SSO, Ext. 4109;

HM1 Shutty, Branch Medical, Ext. 2636;

LCDR Childress, NALC, Ext. 5644;

Mary Fortney, DISA DMC, Ext. 4183;

Teresa Cover, DEFSUP-CENDET Rich., Ext. 3581;

Kathy Leonard, DAPS, Ext. 3417;

LCDR Jones, FMSO, Ext. 6325;

Pat Rebovich, NSLC, Ext. 4772;

Elaine Lehman, DSADC, Ext. 9095;

Annette Ocker, NSA, Ext. (Continued on Page 3)

“Who you gonna call” for career guidance?

By Jody Kann, on assignment to the Civilian Workforce Planning Office (CWPO)

Are you wondering “What can I do to better manage my career?”, “How do I prepare myself for the future job market and make myself ‘employable’?”, “What training do I need?”, and “How do I gain additional experience?”

Then you need look no further than the Civilian Workforce Planning Office (CWPO).

CWPO was established in July 1999 and has been chartered with creating the necessary processes to manage career progression programs. In addition, we assist in developing training programs and lead the effort to find creative solutions to quality of life issues.

Our services are available to employees throughout the Naval Supply Systems Command claimancy.

In fact CWPO’s mission statement states its mission is to “forecast, plan, and develop the next generation work force required to support the needs of NAVSUP and the Navy in the

21st century.”

You are unique and have experiences that make you different from just about everyone else. How do you make the most of your expertise when managing your career?

CWPO realized that a blanket approach will not work for all and we are continually striving to develop programs and avenues to assist employees who wish to manage their career.

Some of the many programs available to employees in terms of career development are:

The Aspiring Leader Program (ALP), New Leader Program (NLP), Executive Potential Program (EPP), Women’s Executive Leadership Program (WELP), Defense Leadership and Management Program (DLAMP), and Corporate Management Development Program (CMDP). Other tools to aid you in career development are Distance Learning, Mentoring programs, tuition assistance, Learning Center courses and, last but certainly not least are Developmental Opportunities (DevOpp).

A little known fact is that the CWPO has an excellent web page devoted to such things as Career Management, Human Resources, DevOpp Opportunities, and training. This web site can be accessed on the Internet at www.navsup.navy.mil/ccmo.

The bottom line is you are the only one who can determine where your career is headed and the one who must accept responsibility for it. The CWPO is available to assist you in whatever way we can. We are willing to take a “team” approach and work with individuals to identify various issues relevant to your career development and to find solutions to meet your needs.



Promotion congratulations...

RADM Keith W. Lippert, the Commander of the Naval Supply Systems Command, talks with CAPT Walt Paskey prior to a recent ceremony in which Paskey was promoted to his new rank.

What’s SUP

Welcome back to newly promoted CAPT Walt Brown. A Naval Reservist, he was recently recalled to active duty and his new duties are in the strategic planning arena. During the ‘80s he had served in the command as a project officer to the deputy commander for contracting.

Sympathy is extended to Sandra Fulmer of SUP 02 on the death of her mother.

If you have news for this column, please send an e-mail to Barbara Pearce, SUP 09PA.



Presentation to visitor...

RADM Keith W. Lippert, the Commander of the Naval Supply Systems Command, welcomes Anthony Junior, who directs the program for Historically Black Colleges and Universities and Minority Institutions, Office of Navy Research, to the command for a series of briefings.

Navy-Marine Corps Relief Kickoff

Navy-Marine Corps Relief drive underway

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Sheri Deitrich, NAVICP 01, Ext. 2288;

LCDR Mike Murphy, NAVICP 02/08, Ext. 2249;

Trina Snow, NAVICP 024, Ext. 3119;

Jeff Koone, NAVICP 025, Ext. 4272;

LCDR Michele Burke, NAVICP 04, Ext. 4912;

LCDR Ken Broomer, NAVICP 05, Ext. 5870;

Patti Jacobsen, NAVICP 058, Ext. 2972;

LCDR Mark Harris, NAVICP 84, Ext. 4710;

SKC Breidinger, NAVICP 87, Ext. 5688;

Martha Lychock, NAVICP OS, Ext. 3702;

Michael Leib, NAVICP 05X, Ext. 5017.



Midway dining out scheduled

The Naval District Washington will host the fourth annual Midway Wreath Laying and Dining Out Friday, June 9, at 6:30 p.m. at the Washington Navy Yard.

Tickets are limited to the first 200 reservations.

Ticket prices are \$45 per person for active duty and \$60 per person for civilians.

Attire is dinner dress white jacket for military and black tie for civilians.

To secure a reservation, your check made out to Midway Dining Out must be received no later than May 26. Checks should be mailed to Midway Dining Out, C/O Naval Support Activity Washington, Building 200, Suite 340, 1014 N St. SE, Washington Navy Yard, Washington, D.C. 20374-5003.

For info, contact LCDR J. R. Flather at (202) 685-0882.

And the drive is on...

RADM Linda J. Bird, the Vice Commander of the Naval Supply Systems Command, purchases the first book of tickets in the 2000 Central Pennsylvania Navy-Marine Corps Relief Fund Drive that got underway at a kickoff held April 3 on the installation. Making the sale is LCDR George DeVries, the raffle coordinator, in front of the grand prize 2000 Ford Mustang. Tickets for prizes to be awarded in a series of drawings are currently on sale. Preliminary drawings will be held May 2 and May 10. At a drawing on May 18 the new Mustang will get a new owner. See story Page 1.

Secretary of Defense announcement

ADM Clark nominated as CNO

By OASD (Public Affairs)

WASHINGTON (Navy Wire Service) — Secretary of Defense William S. Cohen announced April 3 that the president has nominated ADM Vern E. Clark for appointment to the grade of admiral and assignment as Chief of Naval Operations, Washington, D.C.

Clark is currently serving as commander, U.S. Atlantic Fleet, Norfolk, Va.

"I am tremendously pleased that the president has nominated Admiral Vern Clark to be the next Chief of Naval Operations," said Chief of Naval Operations ADM Jay L. Johnson. "He is an officer of outstanding char-

acter, keen intellect and broad operational experience who cares deeply about our men and women in uniform and their families. He will be a superb Chief of Naval Operations."

To learn more about ADM Vern Clark, go to www.atlanticfleet.navy.mil/cincbio.htm.

Youngsters to get look at workplace during Bring Children to Work Day

The Video Teleconferencing Center in the Naval Inventory Control Point, the installation's fire house, and computer facilities in the DISA Megacenter are among tours/presentations that will be offered to children who are registered to participate in the upcoming "Bring Your Children to Work Day" on the installation.

More than 500 children

ages 8 to 18 are expected to be coming aboard commands and activities here April 27 to see the work spaces and to see how their parents or guardians contribute to the work force and to the economy.

The day's events include a welcome to the installation in the building 309 auditorium beginning at 8 a.m.

Following the tours, the

participating students will go back to employees' work areas in this daylong effort that is designed to expose tomorrow's work force to the federal workplace.

The NAVICP Workforce Diversity Division is coordinating the "Work Day."

For further information, contact Susan Shaffner via e-mail or call her at Ext. 6895.

Amphibious assault ship Iwo Jima christened

By OASD (Public Affairs)

WASHINGTON (Navy News Service)- The Navy christened its newest amphibious assault ship, *Iwo Jima* (LHD 7), March 25 at Litton Ingalls Shipbuilding, Pascagoula, Miss.

Iwo Jima became the second amphibious warship named to honor the enduring legacy of the heroic participants who fought and dedicated their lives to the United States in the February 1945 Battle of Iwo Jima.

The first ship named for the battle, *Iwo Jima* (LPH 2), was the lead ship of the LPH class of amphibious assault ships. It was built in the early 1960s as the first "keel-up" amphibious assault ship and was decommissioned in January 1993.

James Bradley, son of Petty Officer Second Class John H. Bradley, delivered the ceremony's principal address. The senior Bradley earned the Navy Cross and Purple Heart for extraordinary heroism on *Iwo Jima* and was the longest living survivor among the six men shown in the Pulitzer Prize-winning Associated Press photo of a large American flag being raised over Mount Suribachi. This photo image has come to symbolize an epic struggle during which over 6,000 U.S. Marines lost their lives in taking the island from the Japanese, whose losses were estimated at 20,000. Hundreds of veterans from the actual battle, as well as former crewmembers of *Iwo Jima* (LPH 2) attended the ceremony.

Zandra Krulak, wife of retired former Commandant of the Marine Corps Gen. Charles C. Krulak, served as ship's sponsor. Navy CAPT John T. Nawrocki is the prospective commanding officer.

Base Beautification to celebrate Earth Day - April 19 - with plant swap

Earth Day on the installation is scheduled for Wednesday, April 19, at building 311, northeast, Code 84 Pavilion.

As part of the Earth Day observance, the NAVICP-Mech Base Beautification Committee (BBC) has scheduled a plant swap of perennials, bulbs, houseplants, and flower and vegetable seeds. This is open to all base employees.

Connie Cuthbertson is the chair for this Earth Day observance sponsored by the BBC.

If you are interested in donating any flowers for this event, you are invited to pick up empty plastic plant containers (while they last) at building 311,

northeast, Code 84 Pavilion on L Street. Take as many plant containers as you need; fill with your flower cuttings, bulbs or seeds; and label the containers with the name of the flower or plant.

Bring all your extra cuttings to the pavilion no later than 10 a.m. Wednesday, April 19.

On April 19, beginning at 11:30 a.m. and continuing to 1 p.m. (or until all plants are gone), you can come and look over the cuttings and take those that you would like to plant at your house.

Free literature on gardening will be available. The Fire Department will also have avail-

able free literature as part of this celebration. These plants are free with a limit of two per person. First come, first served.

Base employees Vernon Ream, Kathy Slentz, and Janet Rakes, who are Penn State master gardeners, will be available to try to answer questions you may have on gardening.

VCNO addresses Earth Day concerns

In a recent announcement concerning the upcoming 30th anniversary of Earth Day, ADM D. L. Pilling, the Vice Chief of Naval Operations, addressed the Navy's environmental challenges for the future.

He called for incorporation of environmental planning into everything the Navy does, for maximizing the benefits of compliance through pollution prevention ashore and meeting uniform national discharge standards afloat, and for seizing opportunities that new technologies offer.

New manager for Branch Clinic

Chief Hospital Corpsman (SW/AW/FMF) David Orskey becomes the manager of the Naval Branch Medical Clinic on the Naval Support Activity today.

Orskey succeeds Chief Hospital Corpsman Christine Capps, who is retiring from the

Navy after a career of 20 years' service.

Orskey reports to Mechanicsburg following a tour in USS *Austin* (LPD 4).

Orskey can be reached at Ext. 3409 or via e-mail at DWORSKEY@BTH12.MED.NAVY.MIL.

Naval War College offers off-site courses; locations include Mechanicsburg

By Naval Information Bureau
New England

NEWPORT, R.I. (Navy Wire Service) - How would you like to join the company of legendary Admirals Halsey and Nimitz? Through its nonresident programs branch, the Naval War College will once again offer free courses to officers and DoD civilians around the country, allowing them to become part of the school's storied history.

Locations for seminars include Mechanicsburg.

Open to commissioned officers O-3 and above and DoD civilian employees at or above the grade of GS-11, the nonresident seminar program has proved to be a highly popular product of the NWC's College of Continuing Education, offering three areas of study at 20 locations around the Navy.

There is no cost to the student.

College of Continuing Education seminar students who complete the three core courses of Strategy and Policy, National Security Decision Making, and Joint Maritime Operations receive a Naval War College diploma and Professional Joint Education Phase 1 certification in their service records.

Seminars are taught by highly qualified NWC adjunct

faculty members during weekly three-hour sessions, with the academic year running from late August through April.

The 2000-2001 seminars will be held at Annapolis, Md.; Dahlgren, Va.; Everett, Wash.; Ft. Meade, Md.; Great Lakes, Ill.; Washington, D.C.; Jacksonville, Fla.; Mechanicsburg, Pa.; Millington, Tenn.; Monterey, Calif.; Naples, Italy; New Orleans, La.; Norfolk, Va.; Patuxent River, Md.; Pearl Harbor, Hawaii; Pensacola, Fla.; San Diego, Calif.; and Newport, R.I. In addition, Guantanamo Bay Cuba and Port Hueneme, Calif., are under consideration.

"The nonresident seminar program is a superb opportunity for motivated officers to improve their professional knowledge, gain insights into important defense issues, and earn PJE Phase 1 certification," said Prof. John Jackson, the director of the College of Continuing Education.

Requests for enrollment will be accepted from May 1 through July 14, 2000.

For an application or more information, contact the Naval War College at (401) 841-6519, DSN 948-6519, or via e-mail at CCENRS@NWC.NAVY.MIL.

Additional information can be found on the college's web site at www.nwc.navy.mil.

Fleet Material Support Office



Medal presented...

CAPT Bill Bristow, Fleet Material Support Office Commanding Officer, congratulates LCDR Amy Lauer on her receiving the Navy/Marine Corps Commendation Medal (Gold Star in lieu of Fifth Award). She received the award for her meritorious service while assigned as Supply Officer in USS *Vella Gulf* (CG 72) from May 1998 to January 2000.



Ceremony in FMSO...

LT Eric Norby, right, is pictured receiving congratulations following a ceremony in which he was awarded the Navy/Marine Corps Commendation Medal (Gold Star in lieu of Second Award) from CAPT Bill Bristow, Fleet Material Support Office's Commanding Officer. Norby received the award for his meritorious service as Aviation Stores, Food Service, and Hazardous Material Officer, USS *Essex* (LHD 2), from October 1997 to December 1999.

Naval Inventory Control Point

Joseph E. Aramowicz dies

Joseph E. Aramowicz of the Naval Inventory Control Point died April 3. He was 53.

A logistics management specialist, he had worked in the Weapons Systems Support Department.

He had recently completed 30 years of service with govern-

ment, all of it in the NAVICP and its predecessor, the Ships Parts Control Center.

Survivors include his wife, Linda R. Ivanoff; and three brothers, Phillip, John and Gerald.

Memorial services were held in Paxtang.

Buddies sought for Olympics April 29

Buddies are still needed for athletes like Lonnie, who has signed up for bowling, and for Stacy and Sandy, who are planning to participate as swimmers.

These are some of the more than 140 Adult Special Olympians from five counties who will be competing in games to be held Saturday, April 29, here at the Naval Support Activity. Or come out and cheer them on as they participate in the event, which is being hosted by the local chapter of Federally Employed Women.

Both male and female Special Olympics athletes – ages 19 to 82 – will compete in track and field events as well as in basketball, soccer, softball, and bowling at the Mechanicsburg naval installation. Bowling will also take place at Trindle Bowl, and swimming events will be held at Messiah College.

Naval installation employee volunteers and their friends in the community will be providing a variety of services to the athletes in such roles as “buddies,” food servers, timers, and ribbon writers. For information about buddy/volunteer opportunities, call Jim Midgarden at Ext. 6391 or send him an e-mail at james_midgarden@navsup.navy.mil.

The day begins with an opening ceremony and pa-

rade of athletes at 9 a.m., followed by competitions from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., and from 1 p.m. until the closing ceremony at 2:30 p.m.

This Special Olympics event is the only local opportunity for adult athletes to qualify for the state level of competition to be held later this year at Penn State University. Founded by Eunice Kennedy Shriver in 1968, Special Olympics provides year-round training and athletic competition for more than one million athletes in nearly 150 countries and all 50 states in the U.S.

People who plan to attend the games are asked to enter the base by the Sporting Hill Road Gate. Photography will be permitted throughout the area where the games will take place. The best opportunity for action shots is between 9:30 and 11 a.m. and again between 1 and 2 p.m.

Questions regarding this Special Olympics event may be directed to Darlene Smith-Miller at Ext. 3611 or Woody Baker at Ext. 1623.

Volunteer training

A training session for those who have volunteered to help at the games is set for later this month.

The session will be held Wednesday, April 26, in the building 14 Special Events Forum beginning at 1 p.m.

in the vicinity of the South Gate. Traffic will be stopped in that area periodically between 11:40 a.m. and 12:40 p.m. to give runners/walkers/wheelchair racers the right of way.

Fund-raisers

A flower sale is set for April 18 on base for the benefit of the upcoming Adult Special Olympics.

Flowers to be sold on a cash and carry basis include primroses for \$3, scented geraniums for \$5, hyacinths for \$6, tulips for \$6, gerbera daisies for \$7, and 10-inch hanging pansy container for \$12. (Please note the correction to the price of the pansy container. The price was listed incorrectly in the last Supplier.)

The sale will be held between 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. at the following locations: bldg. 307 railroad side bay door J14; bldg. 309, middle of building; bldg. 310, main lobby; bldg. 407, south end parking lot; bldg. 409 garden lounge; and bldg. 410 conference room H3/H4, south end.

5K event

Runners, walkers, and wheelchair competitors are invited to take part in a 5K Run/Walk/Wheelchair fund-raiser set for Wednesday, April 19, on base.

The event will start between buildings 310 and 311. Registration begins at 11 a.m. and the race starts at 11:30 a.m.

Race fee is a \$15 minimum donation or pledge sheet. Pledge sheets with funds are due April 17 and may be turned over to any of the following points of contact: Charlene Winters, bldg. 311-2, Ext. 5136; Roxanne Hammond, bldg. 307, Ext. 3970; or Fred Padilla, bldg. 407, Ext. 4847. (Please note the correction to Padilla's number, which was listed incorrectly in the last Supplier.)

Prizes will be awarded in several categories.

Rain date is April 20.

In the Spotlight



Who: James R. “Bob” Mulkey

Activity: NAVICP

Job Title: Supply Systems Analyst

Volunteer activities: Veterans groups, Lions Club, coaching, and community theater.

On His Volunteer Efforts:

“Over the years I’ve helped found and coach in the West Perry Girls Softball League and I’ve also chaired a St. Jude’s Bike-a-thon. I’ve been involved in the New Bloomfield Lions Club Community Theater and I’m a member and past president of the Blain Lions Club. I’m a retired Reservist and I’ve been involved in a number of veterans groups, including the Marine Corps League Black Sheep Squadron. Right now I’m particularly interested in hearing from and talking to veterans of World War II, the Korean War, and the Vietnam War. I’d like to write up their stories for the historical record. There is an urgency to obtaining stories from World War II veterans because sadly we are now losing our WWII vets at a rate of 3,000 a day. Once they are gone, their stories are gone and with them a piece of history that will never be recovered.”

In the Spotlight recognizes volunteer efforts of employees from all commands on base. Point of contact is Kathy Adams, NAVSUP Public Affairs, Ext. 2287.

Traffic alert for April 19

A 5K Run/Walk/Wheelchair event coming up April 19 on the installation will affect traffic at the South Gate over the lunch period.

The run/walk/wheelchair event crosses Ball Road

Ads

CAR POOL

- Driver from Tower City, 10 hr. schedule, RDO every Friday, X4520.
- Need ride bet. base & River House Apts., 2311 N. front, Hbg. Will pay for gas. Hours flexible. Phil, X6183.
- 4th rider/driver wanted from Newville, 4-10 hours, 6-4:30 RDO Mondays. Paul, X4994.

YARD SALE

- Apr.15, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Kimberly Meadows community. Off Mt. Allen Dr., across from Messiah Vlg., Upper Allen.

WANTED

- CBs. 258-4866.

FOR SALE

- Hardwood firewood, beat next year's rush. Call for details. 432-0816 after 6:30.
- Canister type carpet/upholstery cleaner, exc. cond. \$35, 938-3759.
- '99 Dolby Digital Sony surround stereo w/DTS, 5.1 input, pd. \$545, will sell for \$400/obo. 697-8378.
- '91 Chevy Silverado 4x4 short bed

w/liner, loaded, red gray int., new tires, towing pkg, exc. cond. 367-3516.

- '95 Chevy Astro 4.3V6 Mark III conversion 16,000 m, exc. cond. \$15,500. 896-8578.
- '94 Kawasaki 500 Ex Ninja, 6K mi., black/purple, girl owned, garage kept, \$3,000. 728-7501.
- White Westinghouse 3 CD stereo shelf system AM/FM, dual cassette, remote. Good cond. \$50. 975-1826.
- 2 reg. beds/\$50 each; ping pong table-offer; china/antique glassware; bikes-high end; call 245-2195.
- 29' Terry RV, like new cond., many extras. \$8500/neg. 365-3512.
- Keroheat portable kerosene heater - 22,300 Btu, push-button ignition. Never out of box. 732-5414.
- Whole house fan \$25. New 32" storm door \$25. Town House, Melrose Gardens \$47,000. 243-7077.
- GMC '91 Safari van 86K, V-6, hitch, roof rack, good tires, runs exc. \$3,250. 763-0312.
- Bed liner fits 6 1/2' Dodge Ram trucks. \$100. 432-0304 after 6.
- Lewes, Del., waterfront 4.5 wooded acres - standard septic. \$199,900. 243-7077.
- '94 Olds LS, loaded, 60K mi.,

- white w/ leather int. \$8,900. 730-0660.
- Kubota tractor, B1550, diesel, 4WD, hydrostat, 60" belly mower, bucket, 60" blade, \$10,000. 432-3434.
- Dillsburg 3BR ranch w/above ground pool, Fla. rm., family rm., \$142,000. 432-5555.
- Swimming pool alarm \$80, Eureka

- upright vacuum cleaner \$35, full size brass bed \$250. 795-6183.
- '90 Honda Prelude, auto, AC AM/FM cass, power pkg, good cond., best offer considered. 523-9516.
- Blue & white striped sleeper sofa & love seat w 11' x 13' area carpet. \$500. 605-3646.

DoD Payroll Savings Plan adds inflation-keyed bonds

WASHINGTON, March 9 — Civilian employees can now buy the new inflation-indexed Series I U.S. Savings Bonds through the Payroll Savings Plan. Active and retired military members became able to buy them April 1.

The Defense Finance and Accounting Service began offering civilian workers the option March 1. The Payroll Savings Plan offers I Bonds in denominations of \$50, \$75, \$100, \$200, \$500 and \$1,000. Civilians and military members on the plan can buy bonds with allotments as small as \$5.

The Treasury Department announces earnings rates for Series I and EE bonds on May 1 and Nov. 1. The rates are good for the following six months but are determined entirely differently.

Series I bonds sell at face value and their special features are a guaranteed fixed base interest rate and a semiannual supplemental rate adjustment figured on the Bureau of Labor Statistics' Consumer Price Index-Urban.

The fixed base rate in effect on the date of purchase is guaranteed for the bond's entire 30-year earning life. I bonds are earning 6.98 percent through April.

Series EE bonds sell for half their face value and currently earn 5.19 percent. The rate has floated with no guaranteed minimum since May 1995. The EE semiannual earnings rate is 90 percent that of prevailing five-year U.S. Treasury bonds.

Series I and EE bonds are exempt from state and local taxes and also from federal taxes if used to pay tuition and fees at qualifying schools.

Savings Bonds customarily carried the portraits of presidents and other historical figures until I bonds were introduced. Series I is the first to honor prominent, contemporary Americans and members of racial and ethnic minorities. All are deceased.

Nobel physicist Albert Einstein is on the \$1,000 bond. Gen. George C. Marshall is on the \$500. Chief Joseph, leader of the Nez Perce Indian tribe in the late 1800s, appears on the \$200 bond. African-American civil rights leader Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. is on the \$100 bond. Hispanic veterans' rights advocate Dr. Hector Garcia, founder of the American GI Forum, is on the \$75 bond. Author Helen Keller, advocate of Americans with disabilities, is on the \$50.

Series I bonds are also available in larger denominations but not through Payroll Savings. U.S. Sen. Spark M. Matsunaga, a Japanese American, is on the \$10,000 bond. African-American opera star Marian Anderson is on the \$5,000 bond.

For info about Series I and other U.S. Savings Bonds, interest rates, investment tips, tax rules, and downloadable calculator, point your Internet browser to the Treasury Department's www.savingsbonds.gov Savings Bond web site or write to U.S. Treasury Bureau of the Public Debt Savings Bond Operations, Parkersburg, WV 26106-1328.

(Based on a news release from the DFAS, Arlington, Va.)

Free Classified Ads

The Mechanicsburg Supplier will publish free listings of personal items and services for sale by personnel of the naval and defense activities at Mechanicsburg, provided such items and services represent an incidental exchange between personnel on the installation and not business operations. Ads are limited to 15 words, one to an employee, and are due in NAVSUP Public Affairs Office, Code 09PA, Bldg. 309, prior to noon Monday, April 24. All ads must be submitted on ad coupons and must be signed. Additionally, your signature below signifies that housing offered for sale is available on a nondiscriminatory basis. Extensions may be used on car pool ads only. For all others, use your home phone number. Ads are printed on a space available basis.

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ITT schedules Spring Fling

The Information, Tickets and Tours (ITT) Office invites you to swing into spring at its Spring Fling April 26.

Picnic and enjoy live oldies music by The Fabulous Greaseband.

Participation is free to this outdoor celebration at the north end of building 310, and the event will take place between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.

A \$1 lunch special is offered that features an Italian sausage sandwich, fruit, potato chips, brownie, and soda. Pick up your \$1 meal ticket at the ITT Office or from an ITT representative no later than April 19.

Penn National

Clubhouse admission, a program, and Daily Double Buffet are included in an April 28 outing to Penn National. Cost is \$15.25 for adults, \$7.50 for ages 12 and under.

Doors open at 6 p.m., dinner is at 6:30, and post time is 7:30 p.m. Deadline for sign up is April 20.

Kings Dominion

More rides, more water, more fun at a discount are listed for Paramount's Kings Dominion in Doswell, Va.

A Good Any Day Ticket for adults (7 to 54) costs \$29.50, a savings of \$6.49 off the gate price. A Good Any Day Ticket for ages 3 to 6 or under 48" costs \$25, a savings of \$.99 each.

During Armed Forces Days - June 26 to July 9 - tickets cost \$21 each, a \$14.99 savings off the gate price.

Also, check out an offer to attend the park after 5 p.m. the day prior to your visit at no charge.

Office hours

The ITT Office, building 310, is open workdays. Hours are 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. Hours on Mondays and Fridays are 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

At a glance...

- Apr. 18 Flower sale for benefit of Adult Special Olympics sponsored by FEW. See Page 6.
- Apr. 18 Federal Employees Leadership Assn. luncheon. POC: Roxy Gabel, X5809.
- Apr. 19 5K Run/Walk/Wheelchair Event benefiting Adult Special Olympics sponsored by FEW. See Page 6.
- Apr. 19 Base Beautification Earth Day event. See Page 4.
- Apr. 22, 29-30 Bullride Mania, Farm Show, \$18.75/adult, \$8.50/ages 12 & under. Payment required at sign up in ITT Office. Save \$1.25/adult and \$1.50/child.
- Apr. 24 Deadline for April 28 Supplier, noon. POC: Barb Pearce, X3565.
- Apr. 26 Spring Fling. See ITT story.
- Apr. 26 Volunteer training session for Adult Special Olympics. See Page 6.
- Apr. 27 Bring Your Children to Work. See Page 4.
- Apr. 28 Penn National Race & Buffet, \$15.25/adult, \$7.50/ages 12 & under. Doors open 6 p.m.; buffet starts 6:30 and features beef stroganoff, pasta, dessert, and more. Post time is 7:30. Payment required at sign up in ITT Office. Deadline: April 20.
- Apr. 29 Adult Special Olympics sponsored by FEW. POCs: Darlene Smith-Miller, X3611, and Woody Baker, X1623. See Pages 1 & 6.
- May 1-7 Public Service Recognition Week
- May 13 Officers' Spouses' Club Yard Sale. See story.
- May 19&20 Navy-Marine Corps Relief Golf Tournament. POC: LCDR Dave Cruz, X1970.
- May 19&20 Ringling Bros. Barnum & Bailey Circus, Hersheypark Arena, \$14.50/person. Attend either the 7:30 p.m. performance on Friday or the 11:30 a.m. performance on Saturday. Payment required at sign up in ITT Office. Save \$3/ticket plus \$5 handling fee. Limited tickets available.
- May 20 Armed Forces Day 2000 Open House, Fort Indiantown Gap, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Military equipment displays & demonstrations, musical entertainment, food & refreshments. Free adm. & parking. For info, call 861-8720.
- May 22-26 Acquisition and Logistics Reform (ALR) Week. Theme is "Embracing Change for the 21st Century Warfighter." POC: Mary Thomas, SUP 21A, X2551.
- May 31 Quality Symposium on Change Strategies for the New Century, 7:45 a.m. to noon, O'Club. Watch for details.
- June 3 Statue of Liberty/Ellis Day, \$28/adult, \$24/ages 3-17. Includes transportation, ferry, and adm. to monuments. Payment required at sign up in ITT Office.
- June 4 Red Sox vs. Phillies, Veterans Stadium, \$32/person. Payment required at sign up in ITT Office.
- June 10 Harpers Ferry. Coming soon.
- June 17 Atlantic City Casino Day, \$20/person. Payment required at sign up in ITT Office.
- July 15 Atlanta Braves vs. Orioles w/Harbor time, \$31/\$26 person. Payment required at sign up in ITT Office.
- Sept. 30 N.Y. Yankees vs. Orioles w/Harbor time, \$35/person. Payment required at sign up in ITT Office.

Yard sale coming May 13

The Officers' Spouses' Club is sponsoring a multifamily yard sale Saturday, May 13, from 8 a.m. to noon on base.

Those interested in attending are asked to use the Sporting Hill Gate to enter the base. No early birds.

Child Abuse Prevention Month being observed

April is National Child Abuse Prevention Month. The national theme this year is "Teaming Up To Keep Kids Safe at Home."

Child abuse includes physical, sexual and emotional abuse and neglect. In 1997, there were more than 3 million reported cases of child abuse in the United States, over 1 million of which were substantiated by state child protective service agencies.

Research has indicated that child abuse has a long-term, negative impact upon a child's physical, intellectual, social, and emotional development. Early identification and reporting of suspected child abuse is an important component of our efforts to reduce future harm and gain assistance for Navy families, according to a recent message from the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations.

Information on identifying, reporting, and preventing child abuse can be obtained from family advocacy programs.

Other resources for child abuse prevention include the following web sites: www.preventchildabuse.org and www.calib.com/nccanch. The Department of Defense hotline for child abuse is 1-800-336-4592.

Point of contact in this matter is Dr. McDonald, child abuse consultant, (PERS-661G1), (901) 874-4354/DSN 882.